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PTO/SR/05 ase type a plus sign (+) inside this box Approved ar use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0032 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Yess Mail No.:EV332069229US Attorney Docket No. 64251-020 First Inventor: Johan Van Barbant et al. Serial No. 09/834,835 AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER Filing Date April 13, 2001 Title: COATED METAL REINFORCEMENT ELEMENT Examiner AND COATING MATERIALS Jackson, Monique R. Group Art Unit |1773 RECEIVED TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: MAY 2 9 2003 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. M Large Entity Status **TC 1700** П Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY SMALL ENTITY (Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3) HIGHEST **CLAIMS** ADDI-ADDI-REMAINING NUMBER PRESENT RATE TIONAL RATE TIONAL **AFTER PREVIOUSLY EXTRA** AMENDMENT FEE **FEE** AMENDMENT PAID FOR Minus Total 19* 32** =() x \$9.00= \$ 0.00 x \$18.00 =\$ 0.00 (37 CFR 1.16(c)) Independent Minus 3*** 4* =1 x \$42.00= \$ 42.00 x \$84.00= \$ 31,00 (37 CFR 1.16(b)) FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM x \$140.00= x \$280.00= TOTAL **TOTAL** \$0.00 \$84.00 * If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3. ADDIT. FEE ADDIT. FEE ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20". If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3". The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1. No additional fee is required for amendment. A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed. The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. 08-3460. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required.

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